

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

A Fractional Advance in Stocks.

## MONEY RULES 6 A 7.

Railway Bonds Higher—States Dull—Governments Steady.

WALL STREET, Saturday, Oct. 18—6 P. M.

The best that can be said of to-day's stock market is that it was in the main steady. There were certain stocks that were flipped up and others that were flopped down; but, taking the market for all in all, the general range of prices was quite equal to that of yesterday. A rise in Quicksilver shares was one of the exceptions of the day, and an advance of something like 5 per cent in Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad was another. So far as the public knew there was no ground for a rise in either, except that the interminable lawsuits between the preferred and common stockholders of the first named company are likely to be brought to a settlement and that the second named offered a fresh stock for speculation. Erie remained sluggish the day through and with fluctuations restricted to such narrow limits that traders who noted a clear eighth or quarter out of their speculative sales or purchases were to be reckoned fortunate indeed. The coal stocks were dull and neglected, and speculators who "went in for a turn" found themselves floundering at one hour and of weakness at the next. In fact this mixed and irregular state of things was the characteristic of the whole market. There was a good deal of the "from gay to grave and lively to severe" of condition of matters, but as a whole hilarity was in the vocative—that is to say, that the market was not particularly cheerful, though prices remained firm and the business of the day was well up to the average. The bank statement, showing an increase of reserve of about \$470,000, was considered particularly good, simply, it would seem, because the apprehension had existed that it would be particularly bad, and upon this unexpectedly favorable showing something of a flip was given to prices. The improvement was scarcely sustained, however, for at the end prices were a shade weaker and the market closed as ranged as the summer coats of members, which were torn to shreds by the Board room play of the afternoon.

Total sales at the Board were 221,263 shares. Following is an epitome of the day's business:

High.	Low.	Closing.	Sales, estd.	Sale, estd.	Fwd.
Albany & Susque.	90	96	95	—	
Alt. & T. H. pt.	300	321 <sup>1/2</sup>	323 <sup>1/2</sup>	41	40% 40%
Amor. Dist.	800	72	72	72	72
Boston & Air Lines	200	50	50	50	50
B. C. R. & Nor.	100	68	68	68	68
Canan.	100	51	51	51	51
Caribou Mining.	200	74	74	74	74 <sup>1/2</sup>
C. & C. & L.	200	22	22	22	22
Chees. & O. & L.	200	13 <sup>1/2</sup>	13 <sup>1/2</sup>	13 <sup>1/2</sup>	13 <sup>1/2</sup>
C. C. & I. C.	600	12 <sup>1/2</sup>	12 <sup>1/2</sup>	12 <sup>1/2</sup>	12 <sup>1/2</sup>
Chees. & A. ton.	300	97	97	97	97
Clev. & Pittsburg.	100	103 <sup>1/2</sup>	103 <sup>1/2</sup>	103 <sup>1/2</sup>	103 <sup>1/2</sup>
Chi. St. P. & Minn.	200	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	46 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>
C. I. Northwest.	9,800	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>
C. I. & N. W.	800	108 <sup>1/2</sup>	108 <sup>1/2</sup>	108 <sup>1/2</sup>	108 <sup>1/2</sup>
Chi. & N. St. L.	700	72	71 <sup>1/2</sup>	71 <sup>1/2</sup>	71 <sup>1/2</sup>
Chi. M. & St. P. pf.	200	13 <sup>1/2</sup>	13 <sup>1/2</sup>	13 <sup>1/2</sup>	13 <sup>1/2</sup>
Chi. R. I. & P.	1,020	148 <sup>1/2</sup>	147	148	146 <sup>1/2</sup>
Dol. & L. West.	13,500	73	77	77	77 <sup>1/2</sup>
Dol. & Hudson.	400	65 <sup>1/2</sup>	66	65 <sup>1/2</sup>	65 <sup>1/2</sup>
Hans. & St. L.	600	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	97 <sup>1/2</sup>
Hans. & St. Jo. pt.	100	57	57	57	57
Houston & Texas.	200	74	74	74	74 <sup>1/2</sup>
Illinois Central.	500	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>
Ind. & Chi. L.	2,000	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1/2</sup>
Ind. & Chi. St. L.	2,000	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1/2</sup>
Ind. & N. St. L.	600	125	124 <sup>1/2</sup>	124 <sup>1/2</sup>	124 <sup>1/2</sup>
Ind. & N. W.	3,000	49 <sup>1/2</sup>	39 <sup>1/2</sup>	39 <sup>1/2</sup>	39 <sup>1/2</sup>
Ind. & W. P.	900	64 <sup>1/2</sup>	65 <sup>1/2</sup>	65 <sup>1/2</sup>	65 <sup>1/2</sup>
North. Pacific.	5,000	32 <sup>1/2</sup>	32 <sup>1/2</sup>	32 <sup>1/2</sup>	32 <sup>1/2</sup>
Pacific Mail.	7,200	32 <sup>1/2</sup>	31 <sup>1/2</sup>	32 <sup>1/2</sup>	32 <sup>1/2</sup>
Pullman P. Co.	100	99 <sup>1/2</sup>	99 <sup>1/2</sup>	99 <sup>1/2</sup>	99 <sup>1/2</sup>
Quicksilver.	9,000	18 <sup>1/2</sup>	15 <sup>1/2</sup>	15 <sup>1/2</sup>	15 <sup>1/2</sup>
M. & St. L.	6,200	57 <sup>1/2</sup>	57	57	57
Henn. & Saratoga.	100	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. Y. Central.	500	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. Y. E. & W.	800	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>
Mobile & Ohio.	2,500	18 <sup>1/2</sup>	17	18 <sup>1/2</sup>	18 <sup>1/2</sup>
Mo., Kan. & Tex.	3,300	21 <sup>1/2</sup>	21	21 <sup>1/2</sup>	21 <sup>1/2</sup>
Morris & Essex.	1,500	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	97	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	97 <sup>1/2</sup>
Mass. & St. L.	1,000	48	48	48	48
M. & St. L.	2,300	72 <sup>1/2</sup>	72 <sup>1/2</sup>	72 <sup>1/2</sup>	72 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. J. Southern.	100	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	11 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. Y. Central.	600	125	124 <sup>1/2</sup>	124 <sup>1/2</sup>	124 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. Y. L. E. & W.	300	49 <sup>1/2</sup>	39 <sup>1/2</sup>	39 <sup>1/2</sup>	39 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. Y. & N. W.	3,800	90 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>
N. Y. & St. L.	1,000	70 <sup>1/2</sup>	70 <sup>1/2</sup>	70 <sup>1/2</sup>	70 <sup>1/2</sup>
Koch & D. M.	2,800	21 <sup>1/2</sup>	21	21 <sup>1/2</sup>	21 <sup>1/2</sup>
Beek. & Due M. pt.	2,100	42	36 <sup>1/2</sup>	42	36 <sup>1/2</sup>
Louis. & Nash.	2,600	69	67 <sup>1/2</sup>	68	67 <sup>1/2</sup>
Lake Shore.	9,000	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	96 <sup>1/2</sup>	97 <sup>1/2</sup>	97 <sup>1/2</sup>
Metropolitan.	100	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>	45 <sup>1/2</sup>
Metropolitan.	1,000	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	11 <sup>1/2</sup>
Mich. Central.	6,300	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>	88 <sup>1/2</sup>
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